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For: OPTIMIZED PULSATILE-FLOW : Customer No.: 27,128  
VENTRICULAR-ASSIST DEVICE AND :  
TOTAL ARTIFICIAL HEART :

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Prior to examination of this divisional patent application, it is respectfully requested that the application be amended as shown below, and that the claim amendments be taken into consideration in calculating the filing fee. As filed, there are now only 58 total claims, 22 of which are independent claims.